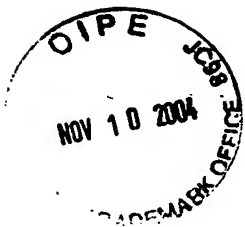


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In re Application of

Thomas J. Patire and Emil Mueller

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**REPLY**

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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.